

PROCEEDINGS  
Board of Education  
Alton Community Unit School District No. 11  
1854 East Broadway  
Alton, IL 62002  
November 13, 2017  
7:30 a.m.

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Administrative Center, 1854 East Broadway, Alton, Illinois at 7:32 a.m. on Monday, November 13, 2017.

The following board members answered present: David Fritz, Ed Gray, David Lauschke, Barry Macias, David Goins and Rosetta Brown Absent: Vivian Monckton

Others who were present: Mark Cappel, Superintendent; Cindy Inman, Alton High School Principal, Marcie Sedabres, Alton High School Assistant Principal; Larry Busch, Hearing Officer; Doug Schaeffer, Alton Police Department-SRO and Kara Twichell, Secretary to the Board of Education

Student #220124, mother and family friend were present.

**Motion: Approval of Agenda of Special Meeting**

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. Lauschke and carried unanimously that the Board of Education approve the agenda of a special meeting.

Citizen Statement: None

**Motion: Close Session**

It was moved by Mr. Lauschke, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried unanimously that the Board of Education adjourn to a closed session meeting for the purpose of conducting a student disciplinary hearing.

**Motion: Open Session**

It was moved by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Lauschke and carried unanimously that the Board of Education resume in open session.

**Motion: Action on Student Discipline Hearing**

It was moved by Mr. Lauschke, seconded by Mr. Macias and carried unanimously that the Board of Education, after considering evidence and mitigation witnesses, finds as follows: based upon and after the Board's consideration of the evidence and testimony of the expulsion hearing held on November 13, 2017, the Board of Education finds that Student #220124 has committed an act of gross misconduct as charged by the District's Administration in that Student #220124 committed Fireworks & Explosive Devices (Possession of), Disorderly Conduct and Engaging in Activity that Constitutes an Interference with School Purposes and Educational Function on November 1, 2017 in violation of Board Policy 7:210 Expulsion Procedures.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education expel Student #220124 for 7 months (November 13, 2017 through the end of the 2017-2018 school year), but that the expulsion be held in abeyance and Student #220124 be administratively transferred to an alternative school as determined by the District's Administration, pursuant to Article 13A of the Illinois School Code. Prior to considering a recommendation for expulsion, the District's Administration attempted other behavioral and disciplinary interventions and determined there are no other appropriate and available behavioral and disciplinary interventions.

### **Specific Interventions for Student #220124**

9/29/17- Present – Social Work as needed throughout the 2017 school year.

Social work sessions with Mrs. Gorman: 125 minutes

9/11/17- Discipline meeting with 8<sup>th</sup> grade annex students. General discipline overview with and explanation of expellable offenses

8/21/17- Discipline meeting with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Detailed discipline overview with powerpoint and detailed explanation of expellable offenses

8/17/17- Review in ELA class of agenda handbook. Expellable offenses are listed on page 9.

8/2017- Student #220124 was moved from the Main building to the Annex building to honor a request from her mother to remove Student #220124 from students and staff in the Main.

6/5/17- Considered for retention; Student #220124 attended summer school and was promoted to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

6/6/17- Student #220124 attended summer school

10/23/17- Student #220124 graduated from a Check in – Check out for work completion

5/23/14- Student #220124's mom requested that she be tested for learning disabilities, but the psychologist found her ineligible.

The expulsion being held in abeyance is contingent upon the student's full participation in the alternative school program, including regularly attending school; complying with attendance policies, school rules, and any referrals for services or counseling made by the alternative school; and successfully completing the alternative school's curriculum.

I move that should Student #220124 fail to fully participate in the alternative school program and the alternative school refers the student back to the District, Student #220124 shall be immediately expelled from Alton Community Unit School District #11 for the remainder of the District Administration's recommended expulsion duration. DOB 9-13-03

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 8:23 a.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary